

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

1 A sales assistance system and method which allows a
2 user to buy goods from stores near the user without directly
3 purchasing the goods on a computer network. The system
4 includes a server connected to a plurality of client
5 terminals through the computer network. The server inputs a
6 request to buy goods, including address information of the
7 user, a memory device which stores information concerning
8 the goods and the stores handling thereof in advance
9 therein; and a controller which searches out stores from the
10 information stored in the memory device based on the address
11 information, and displays the stores on the client terminal.
12 The client terminal selects one of the stores displayed and
13 transmits the request to the selected store to, for example,
14 a facsimile machine of the store or the like.